

Connecticut Statewide Citizen Corps Council
Advisory Committee Minutes
April 26, 2007

Attendees: Bill Austin (Chair); Virginia Mason (COGCNV); Dagmar Noll (WINCOG); Don Janelle (CRCOG); Pramod Pandey (CCRPA); Jim O'Leary (Town of Goshen); Sharon Mazzochi (DEMHS); Brenda Bergeron (DEMHS); Gary Pescosolido (DEMHS); Dan Thurston (American Legion); Craig Hancock (CRCOG) Tom Gavaghan, (DEMHS Region 3); Erin Gus William (American Legion); David Hanon (HVCEO); Sylvia Dake (Andover CERT); Tom Vannini (Litchfield Hills); Norma Peterson (Fairfield); Art McLean (American Legion); Victor Ferry (SCCOG); Viola Heath (CRCOG)

Chairman Bill Austin called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and was followed by introductions of all present.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: A motion to approve the March 22, 2007 meeting minutes was made by Promod Pandey seconded by Tom Vannini. All in favor so voted.

Report on State DEMHS Coordinating Council meeting: Chairman Austin directed the group to the handout of the April 12, 2007 DEMHS Coordinating Council meeting minutes.

Old Business:

- Statewide Operational Update: Updates and changes were made to the CERT Pending Training, In Training, and Personnel Trained lists.
- Draft Citizen Corps State Legislation Proposed Bill No 6703: Brenda Bergeron, DEMHS Legal Counsel will look into the status of this bill and report back to the group.
- CCM Conference: The conference will take place May 1st, 2007. Chairman Austin, Sharon Mazzochi, Virginia Mason and Viola Heath will man the booth.
- 2007 National Conference on Community Preparedness: This years conference will be held in Alexandria, Virginia June 10 - 13. Chairman Austin will attend.
- Teen CERT: Brenda Bergeron, DEMHS Legal Counsel will contact The Attorney General for an opinion regarding insurance coverage for Teen CERT.
- Draft Statewide Citizen Corps By-Laws: Brenda Bergeron, DEMHS Legal Counsel reviewed the Draft Bylaws with the group and answered questions. A motion to approve the bylaws as amended was made by James O'Leary seconded by Sharon Mazzochi. All in favor so voted. Copies of the By Laws will be sent to the 18 Councils.

Amendments:

2.1 See Appendix A.

2.1 Unless the new Council is the only Council existing in the DEMHS region.

- Capitol Region Shelter Exercise: May 26 through May 27, 2007 at Elmwood Community Center, West Hartford. Chairman Austin stated he is expecting between 400 – 500 people to attend the exercise. CERT teams and Emergency Personnel are encouraged to attend. There will be concurrent training for NIMS 100, 200, 700 and 800. The Red Cross will teach Shelter Management and Disaster Psychology. West Hartford CERT will make Identification Badges.

- Statewide Citizen Corps Annual Conference: The conference committee, Chairman Austin, Sharon Mazzochi, Virginia Mason and, Jim O'Leary will meet after today's meeting.

New Business

Program Funding Application Forms: Gary Pescosolido spoke to the group and answered questions regarding the completion of the Application for Citizen Corps Program Funding Forms and eligibility to receive checks.

CERT Team Funding And Funding Requests:

Category A:

Windham Regional COG - Approved for 20 people @ \$65.00 per person.
Total \$1,300.

A motion to approve Category A funding was made by Virginia Mason seconded by Promod Pandey. All in favor so voted.

Category B:

No funding requests.

Category C:

CCRPA – Approved for \$2,500 for administrative support to existing CERT teams and existing CERT team activities.

CRCOG – Approved for \$2,500 for administrative support to existing CERT teams and six new/pending CERT teams.

A motion to approve Category C funding was made by Promod Pandey seconded by Virginia Mason. All in favor so voted

Requests on Hold: (From the February 22, 2007 meeting.)

Fairfield - Holding Category B request \$1,000 for neighborhood watch.

Other Business:

- Vic Ferry, Authorized by SECOG announced that the Town of New London Regional CERT has invited everyone for a CERT day at Ocean Beach on May 19th 2007 from 8am – 12noon. There will be various Hazmat teams Groton, New London, Waterford, East Lyme etc.
- Art McLean and Erwin Gus William from the American Legion spoke to the group about their upcoming national meeting.
- Don Janelle announced the Ham Radio Operators Field Day June 24-25 2007. CERT teams will do refresher training and the Connecticut Canine Search and Rescue team will do an exercise in search and rescue. For more information please contact Don Janelle.
- Tom Vannini Announced a multi regional search and rescue exercise June 2nd 2007.
- CERT Weekend will be held at the Fire Academy September 8 and 9th 2007.

Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be at West Hartford Town Hall, Council Chambers 2:00 p.m. Thursday, May 24, 2007.

Future meeting dates: June 21, 2007, and July 19, 2007

PENDING TRAINING

Effective 04-26-2007

	Level 1	
1	Branford	25
2	Bristol 3	16
3	Cornwall	20
4	CRIS	20
5	Enfield	20
6	Hartford	14
7	Hartland	20
8	Milford	27
9	Mohegan Sun	400
10	New Haven	25
11	Norfolk	20
12	Northwest Community College	15
13	Plymouth	20
14	Roxbury	20
15	Sharon	20
16	Southbury Team 2	10
17	Southington	15
18	Town of Ridgefield	25
19	Uncasville	20
20	VSEMA	25
21	Wallingford	20
22	Windsor – South Windsor	50
23	Woodbury Team 2 (High School)	5
24	Woodbury Team 3 (Public)	14
		866

IN TRAINING
Effective 04-26-2007

	Level 2	
1	Andover	10
2	Bridgeport	50
3	City of Groton	20
4	Fairfield	20
5	Hunters Ambulance	25
6	Mohegan Sun	20
7	New London	20
8	New Milford	20
9	Torrington	20
10	Torrington High School	20
11	Washington	15
12	Waterbury	15
13	Waterford/East Lyme	20
14	West Haven	50
	Total	325

PERSONNEL FULLY TRAINED

Effective 04-26-2007

	Level 3	
1	1 st Connecticut Governors Foot Guard	70
2	1 st Connecticut Governors Horse Guard	85
3	2 nd Connecticut Foot Guard (New Haven)	32
4	2 nd Connecticut Governors Horse Guard (Newtown)	40
5	WINCOG 2	16
6	SART	22
7	Bristol	14
8	Chaplin	15
9	Danbury	75
10	Darien	13
11	East Hartford	56
12	East Hartford Housing	23
13	East Haven	30
14	Enfield	38
15	ESPN	22
16	Farmington /Avon	22
17	Goshen	18
18	Hamden	48
19	Hamden	20
20	Harwinton	18
21	Manchester	94
22	Mansfield	15
23	Mohegan Sun	160
24	N.W. Community College	8
25	Naugatuck	18
26	New Britain	25
27	New Canaan	174
28	New Milford	10
29	Orange	41
30	Portland	30
31	Putnam	16
32	Rocky Hill Veterans	24
33	Southbury	15
34	Thomaston	22
35	Torrington	70
36	Town of Redding	35
37	Waterford/East Lyme	61
38	Westport	43
39	Willimantic	7
40	Willimantic	15
41	Willimantic - Department of Mental Retardation	15
42	Wilton	46
43	Wolcott	16
44	Woodbridge	23
45	Woodbury	18
46	West Hartford	17
	Total	1695